



MINUTES

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION AUGUST 18, 2010

**Call to Order/
Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Siersema, who led Commissioners and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Commissioners Absent: Herbel, Spencer

Commissioners Present: Commissioners McGovern, Kirkorn, O'Connell, Rivera, and Siersema were in attendance.

Others Present: Travis Hopkins, Director of Public Works
Bob Wingenroth, Finance Director
Dahle Bulosan, Administrative Analyst Senior
Tony Olmos, City Engineer
Howard Johnson, Utilities Manager
Derek Smith, Water Quality Coordinator
Bob Stachelski, Transportation Manager
Linda Daily, Project Manager
Joyce Greene, Administrative Assistant

B. PRESENTATIONS-COMMENDATIONS

None

C. MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner O'Connell, seconded by Commissioner Kirkorn to approve the minutes of July 21, 2010 as presented.

VOTE: The motion carried.
AYES: 5
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 2 (Herbel, Spencer)
ABSTENTIONS: 0

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D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

One speaker, Dick Harlow, to speak to item F-1. Mr. Harlow requested he be kept informed of any meetings and be provided any information relating to the 15% infrastructure calculation.

E. DIRECTOR'S ITEMS

Travis Hopkins informed the Commissioners updated pages for CIP notebooks were ready. Commissioners can take the pages with them or, if they preferred, they can drop off their notebook to Public Works during work hours and staff will reassemble the notebook for them. Each Commissioner elected to take the pages and assemble themselves.

- E-1. Review of Existing Crossing Guard Location Evaluation - Travis Hopkins stated, due to budget issues, the City Council had recently made a decision to reduce the number of crossing guards by seven. He then asked Bob Stachelski to continue with the item presentation.

Five uncontrolled crosswalks are affected by the reduction in the number of crossing guards. One of the five locations was addressed at the June 16, 2010 meeting when the removal of the crosswalk located at Heil Avenue at Bradbury Lane was an item on the Public Works Commission agenda. The city is considering removing the other four marked uncontrolled crosswalks. Three school districts, Ocean View School District, Westminster School District and Fountain Valley School District, are involved and have been notified of the consideration of marked crosswalk removal.

The four locations are Heil Avenue at Thames Lane, Springdale Street at Croupier Drive, Magnolia Street at Pioneer Drive and Garfield Avenue at Suva Lane. Postings are in place at each site advising of the potential crosswalk marking removal. Each site will come before the Public Works Commission to consider the crosswalk marking removal.

At the request of the Commission, location of each marked crossing will be provided by email. Bob Stachelski requested the Commissioners contact Travis Hopkins or himself if there is any particular information the Commissioners would like included in the report for each location.

F. INFORMATION ITEMS

- F-1. 15% Infrastructure Calculation History – Travis Hopkins introduced Director of Finance, Bob Wingenroth, to present the item. Bob Wingenroth commented that Finance will now take on the responsibility of presenting the item annually.

Bob Wingenroth then introduced, Dahle Bulosan, Administrative Analyst Senior, who prepared the report with the two of them making the presentation. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner McGovern asked that a sub-committee be formed to study and better understand the report. Commissioner O'Connell agreed and asked if data was reviewed as far back as 1995-2000 and if so, what would be the impact. Data that far back is not available.

Commissioners McGovern and O'Connell volunteered to be on the sub-committee. Commissioners Herbel and Spencer were absent and they will be contacted to see if one would be interested to serve on the committee. If not, other names were suggested as possible committee members.

At the request of the Commissioners, Travis Hopkins will provide the report presented this evening and the PowerPoint presentation to the Commissioners electronically.

- F-2. Active Capital Project Report – Tony Olmos provided the updates. The Atlanta Avenue Widening project is awaiting authorization from Caltrans.

Edinger Parkway improvements from Saybrook to Countess are now complete.

Talbert Lake Urban Runoff Diversion project is still awaiting a decision from the state to change the use of funding to complete the design phase resulting in a shelf ready project.

MSC 455 Tree Petition Streets is complete. CC-1374 Tree Petition Streets was awarded August 16, 2010; MSC 474 Residential Pavement was awarded August 2, 2010; CC-1285 Corrosion Protection 30-inch Steel on Yorktown was awarded August 16, 2010; CC-1361 Water Main Replacement was awarded August 2, 2010.

Edison Park Youth Sports Complex Refurbishment funds have been unfrozen and the project will come to the Public Works Commission at the September meeting.

Commissioner Kirkorn commented on the Slater Avenue project stating that the area is very heavily congested and asked if anything could be done to reduce the congestion for residents. Tony Olmos responded this project is a location visited by the Commission on the site tour. Unfortunately, the construction has an impact on traffic. Staff was aware there would be congestion caused by limiting travel to one lane in each direction but as a new process is being used limiting traffic to one lane each direction was unavoidable. Once the base is cured large segments of the pavement will be installed and the process will speed up. Construction signs are in place alerting motorists they are entering a construction area.

Commissioner McGovern inquired if a sign board could be used. Tony Olmos responded a sign board is used when available.

- F-3. Study Sessions – Travis Hopkins stated the City Council will continue to review the budget at upcoming study sessions. The Strategic Planning Meeting has been postponed until January 2011.

G. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- G-1. Public Hearing to Consider Acceptance of Public Works Utilities Division Public Health Goals Report – The Public Hearing was opened. There were no speakers from the audience.

Howard Johnson provided a brief overview of the need for and the report to meet SB 1307 requirements. The city is required to hold a public hearing every three years. The city water quality exceeds all standards. Mr. Johnson then asked for any questions.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Motion by Commissioner Kirkorn, seconded by Commissioner Rivera to accept the Public Works Water Division Public Health Goals Report.

VOTE:	The motion carried.
AYES:	5
NOES:	0
ABSENT:	2 (Herbel, Spencer)
ABSTENTIONS:	0

H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

I. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

Linda Daily will be retiring at the end of September. The Public Works Commission expressed their gratitude for her dedication to the city and in particular all the service provided to the Public Works Commission.

J. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Michael Siersema
Chair



Joyce Greene
Administrative Assistant

